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In re: Rao et al. Confirmation No.: 1892
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Filed: 01/06/2000 Examiner: K.M. Kerr
For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ALTERING
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Commissioner for Patents
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COMMUNICATION REGARDING
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Sir:

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It is requested that the Examiner consider the previously-submitted documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By submitting the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but instead submitted the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

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